

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council 2015 Strategic Plan Dashboard



Strategic Plan developed by the Community Advisory Council and adopted by the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC).

1. Permanent Establishment of CJCC

- ☒ COMPLETE: CJCC advises the Board of County Commissioners on the planning for, management of, and evaluation of Lewis and Clark County's criminal justice systems.

2. Annual Review of Statutory Requirements

- ☐ Annually review statutory requirements contained in current sentencing legislation for felony and misdemeanor offenses and determine need to pursue legislation to eliminate selective requirements.
- ☐ MACo adopted policy statements are being reviewed.
- ☐ Set review date
- ☐ Establish partners

3. Provide Additional Capability to the State DOC

- ☐ Provide additional capability to the State DOC to enhance their ability to provide timely and reliable pre-sentence and other documentation needed by the Lewis and Clark County court system.
- ☐ Establish plan
- ☐ Establish partners (MACo, Legislature, DOC...)

4. Reduce Detention Time for DOC detainees

- ☐ Reduce the detention time in County jail for detainees already sentenced to the DOC and waiting placement.
- ☐ Establish plan
- ☐ Establish partners (MACo, Legislature, DOC...)

5. Pretrial Services Program

a. Detention Center Data

- ☒ Develop an informational system to track detainees and their legal/pretrial status and Develop a risk assessment tool. Lewis and Clark County Pretrial Services Program launched May 7, 2018 with a validated assessment tool known as the Arnold Foundation's Public Safety Assessment (PSA).

b. Pretrial Services Program

- ☒ Implement a comprehensive pretrial services program. **CJS Staff currently writing Standard Operating Procedures for Pretrial Program.**

☒ Working toward / In process

☒ Goal met

☐ In research stages.

Red font indicates update.

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6. Specialty Courts

a. Continue Treatment Court



Continue Treatment Court in the First Judicial District. Ongoing

b. Evaluate Feasibility of New Specialty Courts



Implemented a Family Court in 2017. Ongoing Evaluation with CJCC Partners



Beginning research stages for a Mental Health Court. CJS Staff will work with CJCC partners and others to research the feasibility of a Mental Health Court in Lewis and Clark County; including possible research-based alternatives. Research and proposal(s) expected for presentation to CJCC in mid-2019.

7. Mental Health Focus

a. CIT Training for all Law Enforcement Officers,



Provide CIT Training for all law enforcement officers, Detention officers, 9-1-1 Operators, EMT Responders, and Probation & Parole Officers in Lewis and Clark County.

b. Crisis Response Team Therapists



Ensure continued funding for the Crisis Response Team Therapists. Currently funding CRT through a pass-through grant from the State AMDD to Western Montana Health.

c. Mental Health Therapist and Case Manager in Jail



Ensure continued funding for mental health therapist in the jail and create a case manager position within the jail to collaborate with the therapist and develop transition planning. Currently funding Therapist and Case Manager through a pass-through grant from the State AMDD to Western Montana Health.



New Position hired. Jillian DeAmicis-Danesi started January 28 as the Department's Behavioral Health Coordinator. She will be based in the CJS Department and has started to develop and maintain relationships with area mental health and substance use providers, work closely with the Jail Therapist, Jail Mental Health Case Manager, Pretrial Services staff, and Probation and Parole to help defendants and offenders access mandated and/or desired treatment.

d. Inmate Programs



Develop relationships with community partners to establish a volunteer base for service delivery in the Jail. Inmate Programs Coordinator Position included in CJS 2019 budget.



CJS will work with Sheriff's Office Detention Sergeant to research evidence-based Inmate Programs. A draft of the program and position is planned for presentation to the CJCC in April 2019.

e. Reentry

☐ Partner with Montana DOC on Re-Entry Planning.

☐ Establish plan

☐ Establish partners

8. Jail Standards

a. Develop and Adopt Jail Standards



Jail Standards should include, at a minimum, The Montana Association of Counties' (MACo) jail standards and operational best practices. Jail Standards should address, at a minimum, the 14 points recommended by the Citizens Advisory Council.

b. Periodic inspection and mandatory reporting and follow up on deficiencies in operations or conditions.



Peer Review Inspections coordinated and conducted by Montana Sheriff's Association. Working with Sheriff to learn next inspection date.



Quarterly County Administrative Jail Reviews conducted by County CAO, one Commissioner, and others. **Next inspection scheduled for April 26.**

c. Public Safety Facility Staff Training Program.

☐ Develop an on-going public safety facility staff training program based on the jail standards and operational best practices.

☐ Establish plan

☐ Establish partners

9. Early Intervention and Prevention

a. Early Risk Identification and Intervention



Currently funding Early Childhood Intervention contract with United Way of Lewis and Clark Area. Ongoing.

b. Invest in Support for Journey Home, Our Place, CRT, and CIT



Stability Funding budgeted for Journey Home and Our Place. Currently sending five (5) Officers per year to CIT Training. Currently funding Therapist and Case Manager through a pass-through grant from the State AMDD to Western Montana Health.

*** Criminal Justice Services Additional Areas of Focus

- a. Data: The County has contracted with Justice Management Institute (JMI) to assist in the evaluation of all of data collection systems used throughout the local criminal justice system, the type of data collected, and recommendations for moving forward. **JMI will present their findings on March 6, 2019, 12:00 – 2:00 pm, First Floor Conference Room of Court House.**
- b. Researching Treatment Facilities
- c. Consented Referral: CJS Department is using CONNECT Referral System for all clients and requiring contracted providers to use CONNECT as well.
- d. Kellie to attend Pretrial Justice Institute Annual Conference with Judge Carter, OCA staff, and Jill Harris from Missoula, March 14 and 15 in Denver
- e. NNCJCC Annual Conference June 20 and 21 in Portland.